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SUBJECT: US NAVY USE OF ALEXANDRIA SHIPYARD

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- 1. AT HIS REQUEST, AHMED EFFAT, CHAIRMAN US/EGYPTIAN BUSINESS COUNCIL CALLED ON ME TUESDAY, 24 MAY 1977. PURPOSE OF CALL WAS TO EXPRESS GREAT CONCERN OVER SITUATION AT ALEXANDRIA SHIPYARD WHERE UNUTILIZED CAPACITY MAY SOON REQUIRE LAY-OFF OF LARGE NUMBER OF WORKERS. HE ASKED WHAT WAS STATUS OF LONG-STANDING REQUEST THAT US NAVY MAKE USE OF YARD FOR MAINTENANCE AND OVERHAUL OF MED-BASED UNITS.
- 2. I HAVE HAD NO WORK ON USG DECISION SINCE CONSULTATIONS WITH ADMIRAL BAGLEY IN LONDON LAST OCTOBER. MY UNDERSTANDING THEN WAS THAT USN WAS PREPARING PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR POSSIBLE USE OF YARD WHICH WOULD RECEIVE NSC STUDY AND, HOPEFULLY, APPROVAL.
- 3. I TOLD EFFAT ONLY THAT I WOULD INFORM INTERESTED AGENCIES OF HIS CONCERNS AND WE WOULD SEE WHAT RESPONSE MIGHT BE. CONFIDENTIAL

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4. COMMENT: DECISION TO LET WORKERS GO WOULD BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT ONE FOR GOE (REFTEL), SO FINANCIAL CRUNCH AT SHIPYARD MUST BE VERY SEVERE. CHASE

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